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Application No.: 09/356,543 Group: 2165

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For: DEVICE FOR AUTOMATIC BILLING REIMBURSEMENT

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

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A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 10, 2005 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Please amend the application as follows: